Confirmation Number: 9456 Application Number: 09/662,217 REQUEST FOR Filing Date: September 14, 2000 CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) First Named Inventor: Hideo ANDO TRANSMITTAL Group Art Unit: 2616 Address to: Mail Stop RCE Examiner: BOCCIO, VINCENT F. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Attorney Docket Number: 04329.2384 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Attorney Customer Number: 22,852 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final office action is outstanding. considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on П i. ii. Other _ DO NOT ENTER the amendment(s) previously filed on ______. An alternate submission is attached Enclosed submission: П Amendment/Reply iii. Ø Information Disclosure Statement i. X Petition for Withdrawal of Patent from Issue \Box Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iv. ii. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.) ☐ Other b. 3. Fees The filing fee is calculated as follows: i. \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) Petition for extension of time for (__ Months) \$___ ii. Petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) for Petition for Withdrawal of Patent from Issue \boxtimes iii. ☐ Check in the amount of \$920.00 enclosed. b. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in the filing fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 06-0916. Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required Reg. No.: 31,744 Name: Richard V. Burgujian Signature: Date: March 10, 2006 Reg. No. 53, 232

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